FRESNO, **CA** - Congressman Jim Costa (D-Fresno) announced today he will host a grant workshop to acquaint non-profit organizations and local governments with federal funding opportunities as well as local grant writing resources. Agencies providing information include the USDA Rural Development, United Way of Fresno County and the American Humanics Program at California State University, Fresno. The workshop will be held on Monday, August 27, at the Mosqueda Community Center - Multimedia Room, 4670 E. Butler Ave , Fresno , CA 93702 in Fresno from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

" The workshop aims to provide a better understanding of the federal grants process and show local leaders how to increase their chances of securing funding, " Costa said. " Grant applications can be intimidating, and the workshop will provide information on grant resources and examples of successful grant proposals. "

Last year, Congressman Costa hosted a similar informational workshop showcasing grant programs through Housing and Urban Development and it was very well-received.

The workshop is free and open to the public. Those who plan to attend are asked to register with Fabiola González in Congressman Costa's Fresno District Office at (559) 495-1620 or via e-mail at fabiola.gonzalez@mail.house.gov.